

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, credit unions are individual, independent cooperatives founded by people working together towards economic advancement, uniting people seeking a way to improve their future; and

WHEREAS, credit unions call for the pooling of personal resources and leadership abilities for the good of the cooperative, encourage a regular habit of saving so those in need may borrow, and foster the desire to repay loans so members may have access to credit when it is required; and

WHEREAS, credit unions empower people to improve their economic situations in 79 nations around the world through 40,258 credit unions currently serving the financial needs of 118 million members, including 450,000 in Idaho associated through local, state, regional, and international organizations sharing the same commitment to serving credit union members; and

WHEREAS, credit unions are developing strong alliances that make financial democracy possible in many countries such as China, Poland, Russia, Ghana, Argentina, Ukraine, and the rest of the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim October 16, 2003 to be

CREDIT UNION DAY

in Idaho, and encourage all citizens to recognize the many contributions credit unions have made to the communities in this state, both tangible and intangible, through the years, and honor and express appreciation for the service and commitment of Idaho's credit unions.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twenty-eighth day of August in the year of our Lord two-thousand and three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-eighth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fourteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

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